

**Western Canadian Deans of Graduate Studies
Annual Meeting
January 23-24 2020
Laurel Point Inn, Victoria**

Thursday, January 23

17-19h Welcome Reception

Friday, January 24

8-9h Breakfast

9-9:05h **Welcome**
Jeff Derksen, SFU and President, WCDGS

9:05-10:15h **Keynote Address**
Wayne Ross, Dept of Curriculum & Pedagogy, UBC-V
“Graduate Studies After Neoliberalism: Reflections on the Social and
Political Responsibilities of the University”

10:30-11:15h **Table Talks**
Table 1 Interdisciplinarity: Strategies and Goals (Zoë Druick, SFU)
Table 2 Key Performance Indicators for Graduate Studies (Trevor Crowe,
University of Saskatchewan)
Table 3 Rethinking Tuition (Mavis Reimer, University of Winnipeg).

11:15-12h **Plenary Discussion**
The Student Perspective on the Affordability Question (SFU Graduate
Student Society, Matt MacDonald, Director of External Relations)

12-13:30h **Lunch**

13:30-14:15h **Plenary Presentation**
Moving the Dial on Graduate Student Mental Health: Results from the
University of Calgary Graduate Mental Health Survey Project
(Dr. Suzanne Curtin & Jaya Dixi, University of Calgary)

14:30-15:15h **Table Talks**
Table 4 Strategic Enrolment Management (Steve Evans, University of
Victoria)
Table 5 Graduate Supervision (Brooke Milne, University of Alberta)

15:30-16:30h Western Deans Agreement & Other Hot Topics

16:30-17h WCDGS Business Meeting

Reception and Dinner

17:30